

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listings of Claims:

Claim 1 (Withdrawn): A method for consolidating a plurality of media segments from a motion picture, comprising the steps of:

- (a) providing a roll, said roll having an attachment point, said attachment point having a location in said roll;
- (b) selecting one of said plurality of media segments, the selected segment having a first end and a second end, said first end corresponding to a predetermined orientation;
- (c) attaching said first end of the selected segment to said roll at said attachment point, thereby causing the selected segment to become a part of said roll;
- (d) collecting information about the selected segment and a location in said roll corresponding to the selected segment;
- (e) providing a log for recording said information and said location in said roll;
- (f) recording said information and said location in association in said log;
- (g) winding the selected media segment onto said roll, thereby advancing said attachment point of said roll to said second end;
- (h) repeating at least steps (b), (c) and (g) for each of said plurality of media segments.

whereby said database can provide said information and the recorded location in said roll associated with any one of said plurality of media segments; and
whereby the physical volume required to store said plurality of media segments is reduced and the accessibility of said plurality of media segments is maintained.

Claim 2 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 1, wherein the selected segment consists of at least one uncut take, and steps (d) and (e) are performed at least once for the selected segment.

Claim 3 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 2, wherein said at least one uncut take consists of at least one out.

Claim 4 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 2, wherein said at least one uncut take consists of at least one B-negative take.

Claim 5 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 1,
wherein the selected segment consists of a trim of a take having a set of at least one trim,
said set of at least one trim having an original order;
wherein step (b) further provides that each of said set of at least one trim is selected
consecutively; and
steps (d) and (e) are performed for at least one of said set of at least one trim;
whereby each of said set of at least one trim is attached consecutively on said roll and said take is
represented at least once in said log.

Claim 6 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 5,
wherein step (b) further provides that each of said set of at least one trim is selected
sequentially;

whereby each of said set of at least one trim is appears on said roll according to said original
order.

Claim 7 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 1, wherein said location is recorded as feet
and frames measured from a mark in said roll.

Claim 8 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 1, wherein said location is recorded as
timecode from measured from a mark in said roll.

Claim 9 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 1,
wherein said information includes at least one of a key number associated with the first
end of the selected media segment, a splice designation, and a note labeling the
selected media segment; and
said location is the attachment point;

Claim 10 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 1,
wherein said information is further about a frame in the selected media segment, and
said location indicates the frame.

Claim 11 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 10, wherein said information comprises at
least one of a key number, a flash designation, and a wave designation.

Claim 12 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 10, wherein said information comprises at
least one of a slate record.

Claim 13 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 12, wherein said slate record comprises a
scene identifier and a take identifier.

Claim 14 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 13, wherein said slate record further
comprises at least one of a camera identifier, a camera roll identifier.

Claim 15 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 1, wherein said plurality of media
segments are sound media.

Claim 16 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 1, wherein said plurality of media
segments are picture media.

Claim 17 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 16, further comprising the step:
(i) transferring the plurality of picture media segments to a video record; and
wherein step (d) is performed by examination of the video record.

Claim 18 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 16, further comprising the step:
(j) transferring the plurality of picture media segments to a digital record; and
wherein step (d) is performed by examination of the digital record.

Claim 19 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 1, wherein said log further associates said
roll with said motion picture.

Claim 20 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 1, wherein said log comprises a database.

Claim 21 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 20, further comprising the step:

- (k) producing a report from said database substantially representative of said motion picture, said roll, said plurality of media segments, said information, and said location.

Claim 22 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 1, wherein said predetermined orientation is heads-out.

Claim 23 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 1, wherein said predetermined orientation is tails-out.

Claim 24 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 1, wherein said attaching of step (c) comprises forming a permanent splice; whereby the roll is made usable in a machine-driven film transport.

Claim 25 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 1, wherein said attaching of step (c) comprises forming a temporary splice; whereby the steps of the method may be completed in substantially shorter time.

Claim 26 (Withdrawn): The method of Claim 25, further comprising the steps of:

- (m) unwinding said roll;
- (n) replacing the temporary splice with a permanent splice; and
- (o) rewinding said roll, thereby causing the predetermined orientation to be reversed;

whereby the roll is made usable in a machine-driven film transport.

Claim 27 (Original): An archive of a plurality of media segments from a motion picture comprising:

a roll formed by winding the plurality of media segments, each segment spliced to another of the segments, wherein each segment has a location within said roll and a first information; and

a database having a record for each segment associating the location of the segment within said roll, with said first information;

whereby said database provides said first information and the associated location in said roll of the plurality of media segments; and

whereby the physical volume required to store said plurality of media segments is reduced and the accessibility of said plurality of media segments is maintained.

Claim 28 (Original): The consolidated archive of Claim 27, wherein the first information is comprised of at least one of a key number associated with a first end of the segment, a splice designation, and a note labeling the segment.

Claim 29 (Original): The consolidated archive of Claim 27,
wherein one of the segments has a frame, said frame having a second information and a location in said roll;
said database further having a record associating the location of said frame with said second information;

whereby said database provides said second information and the location in said roll associated with the frame.

Claim 30 (Original): The consolidated archive of Claim 29,
wherein said second information comprises at least one of a key number, a slate record, a flash frame designation, and a wave designation.

Claim 31 (Original): The consolidated archive of Claim 29, further comprising:
a digitized media file of said plurality of file segments, said media file having a substantial correspondence to said roll;
whereby said database, from the location in said roll of said frame, identifies a portion of said media file substantially representative of said frame.

Claim 32 (Original): The consolidated archive of Claim 27, further comprising:
a digitized media file of said plurality of file segments, said media file having a substantial correspondence to said roll;

whereby said database, from the location in said roll of a selected one of the plurality of media segments, identifies a portion of the media file substantially representative of the selected media segment.

Claim 33 (Original): The consolidated archive of Claim 32,
wherein one of the segments has a frame, said frame having a second information and a location in said roll;
said database further having a record associating the location of said frame with said second information;
whereby said database provides said second information and the location in said roll associated with the frame; and
whereby said database, from the location in said roll of said frame, identifies a portion of said media file substantially representative of said frame.

Claim 34 (Original): The consolidated archive of Claim 33, further comprising:
a client;
a media server having access to said media file; and
a network; said network connecting said client to both said database and said media server; thereby providing said client with communication to both said database and said media server;
at least one of said database and said client further having a means for selecting from the media server a portion of the media file to be provided to the client;
said client comprising
a means for searching the database;
a means for displaying results provided by the database; and
a means for displaying the portion of the media file provided by the media server;
whereby the accessibility of said plurality of media segments is increased.

Claim 35 (Original): The consolidated archive of Claim 34, wherein said media file is streaming media.

Claim 36 (Original): The consolidated archive of Claim 34, wherein said media file is suitable for use by a non-linear editing station.

Claim 37 (currently amended): The consolidated archive of Claim 34, wherein the client further comprises:

a first means for indicating to said database a portion of said roll and a format for delivery;

said database responsive to said first means, ~~such that~~ wherein an order is generated to prepare said portion of said roll according to the format;

whereby a user of the client can order the media segments from the consolidated archive.

Claim 38 (new): A storage device for reducing the physical storage volume of a plurality of physical media segments from a motion picture comprising:

a wound roll of the plurality of physical media segments, each segment being physically spliced to another of the segments, wherein a physical storage volume occupied by the wound roll of the plurality of physical media segments is less than the physical storage volume required for the plurality of physical media segments when unwound and not spliced together;

each of the plurality of physical media segments has a location within the roll and a first information; and

a computerized database having a record for each segment associating the location of the segment within said roll, with said first information;

whereby said database provides said first information and the associated location in said roll of the plurality of physical media segments; and

whereby the physical volume required to store said plurality of media segments is reduced while maintaining accessibility each of said plurality of physical media segments.